



ALEXANDRIA, VA.

MONDAY EVENING, MARCH 10.

THE LOUISIANA case decided last week by the U. S. Supreme Court is the one which suggests the inquiry propounded by a correspondent in another column. The difference between the Virginia and the Louisiana creditor is that while the former holds coupons bearing on their face the promise of the State to receive them in payment of taxes, the latter does not; nor did Louisiana promise to receive the coupons of her bonds for taxes. It is impossible to collect a debt from an insolvent debtor, but a note of that debtor is an offset to any claim he may have against the holder thereof. He cannot collect a debt from a man to whom he is indebted; and when the decision of the U. S. Supreme Court in the Virginia cases shall be rendered, it will probably be to this effect.

CONGRESSMAN McCOMAS, of Maryland, a republican, says "gerrymandering is a sin against representative government." But the legislatures of Maryland and Ohio have just gerrymandered those States, so as to increase the democratic congressional representation of each. To unsophisticated people it seems strange that Mr. McComas and other republican congressmen, during all the years they have profited by the outrageous gerrymandering of Ohio, New York and other northern States, never realized that gerrymandering is a sin against representative government until they found that by it democratic representation in Congress could be increased.

THE MANAGEMENT of the State negro normal school at Petersburg was so bad that while the legislature has made the usual appropriation for its support, it provided that the board of visitors should be composed of "competent persons," not negroes, as here before; and under that provision the Governor has just appointed a white board. The management of such institutions, white as well as black, by boards of visitors, is the worst of all sorts; but still, as the white people of the State bear the sole expense of the one referred to, it is better that the accounts thereof should be examined by a board of competent white men.

THE COMMITTEE on privileges and elections of the U. S. Senate has determined to report in favor of admitting the republican contestants for seats in the Senate from Montana, though the courts of that State have decided that the democrats fairly carried the county, by throwing out the votes of which the republicans claim a majority. And yet Senator Sherman prates about the preservation of the dignity of the Senate. Dignity without justice and honesty is a grotesque humbug.

THE U. S. SENATE'S committee on privileges has agreed to report that Senator Call's speech must be printed verbatim, and not with such phraseological changes as he made while revising it. This is a proper decision, provided the same rule be applied strictly to all the Senatorial speeches that hereafter appear in the Record. Mr. Call and all the other democratic Senators should make it their business to see that such a rule shall be applied in future to the speeches of all their republican colleagues.

SECRETARY WINDOM is not as regardful of the morals of his subordinates as Postmaster General Wadsworth is of his. The latter made the postmaster at Baltimore swear he wouldn't drink a glass of liquor during his official term, before he would appoint him. The former exacted no such promise of the recently appointed collector of customs at the same city, though, according to temperance ideas, that is if reports be true, the imposition of such an oath would have been more appropriate in his case.

FROM WASHINGTON.
[Special Correspondence of the ALEX. GAZETTE.]
WASHINGTON, D. C., March 10, 1880.
Ex Representative Taulbee has suffered another relapse, and his condition this evening is almost hopeless. He is delirious and his pulse is fluttering and very weak. The physicians fear that some of the small bones at the base of the brain have been splintered and that inflammation of the membrane has set in.

The sub-committee of the House World's Fair committee agreed to day to report that the fair be held in 1893 instead of 1892, that is, one year after the four hundredth anniversary of the discovery of America, to celebrate which the fair is to be held, which will be as inappropriate as to celebrate the anniversary of Washington's birthday on the 11th of March. They will also recommend that the commissioners shall be equally divided between the two political parties, but that the President shall not appoint them until Chicago has raised five million and given satisfactory assurance of its ability to raise five million more, and that the government appropriate one and a half million for its own exhibits.

Decisions in the Virginia coupon cases were not rendered by the U. S. Supreme Court to day.

The House public buildings committee has cut down the \$50,000 appropriated by the Senate for the public building at Petersburg to \$30,000.

Senator Dolph's executive session investigating committee to day resumed the inquiry of Senators as to their complicity in alleged leaks of proceedings.

The House committee on war claims agreed this morning to report a bill appropriating three and a half million dollars for losses in the southern border counties of Pennsylvania caused by both the Confederate and the Union armies during the war between the States.

It is reported to-day that Collector Brady of the Richmond internal revenue district will not appear to-morrow before the House elec-

tions committee as counsel for Langston, the negro contestant for Mr. Venable's seat, but that Mr. John Lyons will make the argument for Langston.

It is reported that Mr. Terry, custodian of the Interior Department appointed under the Cleveland administration will be removed at an early date. He hails from Virginia, but is a northern man and a member of the G. A. R. Among the applicants for his place is Mr. McDonald, of Northumberland county, Va., a republican and also a northern man.

Among the bills introduced in the House to-day was one to impose a duty on coffee imported from those countries which exact an export duty on that article, but to admit free coffee from countries which shall not exact an export duty on it. The people of this country are the greatest coffee drinkers in the world, and last year paid the countries from which coffee is obtained nearly eight million dollars export duty.

The government is growing more and more personal. Secretary Blaine's son is clerk of the House committee on foreign relations, and now his brother has been appointed superintendent of quarantine stations.

The U. S. Supreme Court to-day decided that where a water line is the boundary of a lot, the limit of the same is bounded by that line and shifts with the waters.

The Judiciary Committee of both houses of Congress have agreed upon a bill to relieve the U. S. Supreme Court of some of its business. The bill provides for an intermediate court, which shall decide all cases involving not more than \$10,000.

Mr. Edmund Burke, as counsel for General Mahone, has obtained a judgment in the district court of this city for \$2,500 against certain arms carriers of the U. S. Senate, for certain gold mine stock.

Telegraphic Brevities.

Peter Coates, of the well known thread making firm of J. and P. Coates, is dead.

The lower Mississippi has become alarmingly high, and it is feared that a large section of country will be inundated.

Mr. Robert Lincoln, the American Minister in London, authorizes a denial of the report that he intends to resign his position in consequence of the death of his son.

The French minister of foreign affairs has asked M. Jules Simon to represent France at the international labor conference to be held at B-rlin.

Isaac Sapp, an ex-policeman, who was wrestled last week charged with felonious assault upon a seven year old girl in Philadelphia, was to-day convicted and sentenced to fifteen years imprisonment.

A clerical scandal at Bristol, England, has caused much comment. Canon Baynes was arrested at that place on the charge of stealing a trunk from the railway station. He was found guilty and sentenced to four months imprisonment at hard labor.

The Second Reformed Church at Grand Haven, Mich., caught fire from an overheated furnace last evening and was destroyed. Loss \$10,000.

The Elshardt harness works at Cleveland, O., were yesterday destroyed by fire. About 1,000 men are thrown out of employment. The loss will be \$54,000.

The man who claimed to be Roger D. Tichborne and who was recently nominated for a seat in the British House of Commons, failed to deposit his share of election expenses and his name was withdrawn.

The switchmen employed in the yard of the Chicago and Northwestern Railroad in Chicago, between 200 and 400 in number, went on strike this morning, and as a result the local yards are locked and all the trains are delayed.

The French export chamber has passed a resolution thanking M. Spuller, minister of foreign affairs, for the attitude of the government in respect to the bill introduced in the American Congress, the provisions of which, the resolution says, will tend to exclude the importation into the United States of foreign dry goods.

A disagreement has arisen between Signor Bianchi, President of the Italian Chamber of Deputies, and Signor Crispi, the Prime Minister, and Signor Bianchi is about to resign in consequence. A ministerial crisis is imminent. Later the resignation of Signor Bianchi was announced in the chamber of deputies, but on motion of Prime Minister Crispi the resignation was not accepted.

CARDINAL GIBBONS' SERMON.—Cardinal Gibbons preached in Baltimore yesterday the third of his Lenten sermons, speaking of the mysteries of the Eucharist. His eminence opened his discourse by the declaration that there is no dogma of the Catholic Church which rests on stronger Scriptural authority than the doctrine of the real presence of Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist, and then asserted, taking his arguments from the Scriptures, the real presence of Christ in the blessed Sacrament. He cited the texts which speak of the promise of the Eucharist, of its institution and of "this using the faithful." The Cardinal continued his argument in favor of the Catholic or literal interpretation of the words "This is my body," holding that every circumstance connected with the divinity of our obligations to accept them in their plain and literal sense. His authorities were the holy Scriptures themselves, and the fathers of the church, without exception. St. Ignatius, who was a disciple of St. Peter, St. Justin, martyr in the second century; Origen in the third century; St. Cyril in the fourth century; St. John Chrysostom and St. Augustine in the fifth century, and so on through the centuries. Additional witnesses to the Catholic doctrine of the corporeal presence were the Greek church that separated from the Roman Catholic Church a thousand years ago and the Russian church of to-day and the schismatic bodies and Oriental sects no longer in communion with the See of Rome.

SUSPECTED POISONING.—Alice Page, a thirteen-year-old girl, was taken into custody at Rockville, Md., Saturday on the charge of poisoning the two children of William A. Smith. Alice was employed about month ago, and her mistress was well pleased with her until one day last week she showed one of her children to eat something that disagreed with it and was reprimanded for her inattention. The rebuke made Alice very angry but she apparently forgot all about it and was more attentive than ever. Last Friday night one of the children became ill and the physician said the symptoms were those of arsenical poisoning. When the other child became similarly affected, the parents suspected Alice and she was taken into custody. She stoutly protests her innocence and will make no statement. One of the little victims is in a critical condition. The other will recover.

A SKELETON IN ARMOR.—A correspondent writing from Culpeper says: "Mr. Vitus Epicer, who lives on Muddy run, near Coon's Mill, whilst cutting water courses on the bottom one day recently found a perfect skeleton of a man, with the arm bones run through a steel plate and covering the breast bone about a half-inch in thickness, on which was stamped 'J. C. Biggs, Kansas, presented by E. T. Turpin, January 9th, 1863.' It is supposed to be the skeleton of one of Ingalls' jayhawkers who was killed during the war by a citizen whilst riding a hen roost. The skeleton was taken to Jerry Jones, near by, and numbers of citizens have been to see it. The breast plate will be sent to Washington as a war relic.

The wife of Mr. S. P. Bayly, jr., of Delaware, Fauquier county, died Saturday evening after a prolonged illness.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

The Ways and Means Committee of the House proposes to throw the blanket of protection over the farmer.

The effort to raise money enough to go on with the Grant monument in New York has proven a dismal failure.

The steamer Caledonia recently found the wrecked bark Progress, on which there was nothing living but a pig and mad dog.

The New York Yacht Club has challenged the owner of the Valkyrie, Lord Dunsraven, for a match with the Katrina and Shamrock.

It is thought the only result of the Senate's agitation of the secret session question may be the abolition of secret sessions altogether.

Hermann, the magician, in his decapitation act in New York on Saturday night inflicted a gash upon his wife's throat by a slip of the sword.

Fire in Gray & Bell's six-story furniture factory in Detroit yesterday destroyed \$250,000 worth of property. The building belonged to Senator McMillan.

Mrs. Davis, convicted of a theft of which she was innocent, has been pardoned by Governor Abbott, of New Jersey, but learned that her husband, who worked for her pardon, had died the day before her release.

A letter written by Senator Vest to democratic members of the Montana Legislature during the contest over the United States Senators from the new State charges President Harrison with scoundrelism and meanness.

In New York yesterday the Rev. Dr. De Costa answered the argument of Rabbi Gotthel that the Jews did not reject Jesus. He showed that there were at least sixteen Christs in the Bible instead of six according to Dr. Gotthel.

Hammond, the proprietor of the house in London, England, where shameless acts were practised by members of the English aristocracy, threatens to reveal the secrets of his den unless money is sent to him in Seattle, Washington.

George S. Turner, a wealthy mill owner of Valley Falls, Spartanburg county, S. C., shot and killed his brother-in-law, Edward Finger, a young man 25 years old, Saturday, in a quarrel about a family scandal. Turner surrendered to the sheriff.

Capt. Hugh R. Garden, formerly of Warrenton, the new president of the Southern Society of New York, proposes to make the institution a depository of Southern literature and history and its home a meeting place for Southerners instead of a mere club house.

There is great excitement in the vicinity of Fountain Head, Sumner county, Tenn., over the appearance of spotted fever, or malignant meningitis. There have been deaths and there are several new cases. Those who take it live only a short time, some dying in 24 hours.

A dispatch from London says: "Lady Campbell, the wife of Maj. Gen. Sir John William Campbell, Bart, is a drunken vagrant, and was committed with her daughter to the workhouse for a week, but has been released on Sir John promising that he would send her to their country home."

The coroner's jury at Woodstock, Ontario, in the case of E. C. Banwell, the murdered young Englishman, found that he came to his death by two pistol shots fired by Reginald Burchell, alias Somerset, with deliberate purpose to commit murder, and that they are of opinion that Caroline Burchell, the wife of Reginald Burchell, was accessory to the murder after the fact.

On Saturday a little son of Lewis Crayton went rabbit hunting in Alexander county, N. C., in the snow. While walking through the woods a tree fell upon him and he was killed almost instantly. Nobody was with the youth, but his faithful dog at once went home and acted in such a manner that the boy's father followed it, and he was horrified when the dog led him to the spot where his dead son lay.

The Senate committee on privileges and elections, after a long session on Saturday, finally reached a decision in the case of the contested Montana Senatorship, and, by a party vote, decided to recommend to the Senate that Power and Saunders, the republican Senators, be seated. Senator Turpie was of opinion that no election of Senators had been accomplished, and that the case should be remitted to the State of Montana for action.

Three boys named Barnhouse, the oldest aged 14 years and the others 12 and 10, were arrested at Grafton, W. Va., Saturday for a deliberate attempt at wholesale poisoning. The boys were punished by a neighbor for some mischief, and in revenge they stole two dozen packages of rat poison and placed them in the wells from which half a dozen families got water. Two whole families were poisoned, but it is thought all will recover, as little of the water was used. There was enough poison in the water to kill a hundred people.

Bishop Merrill, who is now presiding over the Baltimore Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church at Cumberland, ordained a number of deacons and elders yesterday. In the conference on Saturday, W. H. Thurlock was announced for eldership but he continued for another year for the reason that "when in the company of girls, he was too frivolous." He is about twenty-five years of age. The name of Henry W. Jones was the next announced for eldership; he too was continued on trial because he was "peculiar."

GEN. MAHONE RECOVERS JUDGMENT.—General William Mahone secured a judgment by default in the circuit court in Washington on Saturday against Sergeant-at-Arms William P. Canady, of the United States Senate, for \$2,500, with interest, from December 31, 1887. Gen. Mahone, in his declaration, represented that in December, 1887, he transferred to Col. Canady 10,000 shares of the capital stock of the Gold Mining Company for twenty five cents a share, aggregating \$2,500. The assignment was completed and tender made, but payment had been refused on demand for the \$2,500.

A VERY NAUGHTY YOUNG MAN.—A tall young man disguised as a female and representing himself to be an agent for ladies' corsets and other underwear, has been taking orders in Bordentown, N. Y., for a few days past. His sex was not discovered until yesterday, when he made his appearance at a private house in Newton, a few miles from there. When threatened with arrest he admitted that he had been making a livelihood in this manner for some time. Ladies in that city from whom he received orders and for whom he fitted them himself, are quite indignant over the matter.

STATE CONVENTION.—A State convention will be held in Richmond on the third Tuesday in April to take into consideration the political, educational, moral and financial condition of the colored people and all other interests affecting them as a people and as citizens of the United States and of the State of Virginia, and to adopt a general policy for their government and conduct, as shall tend to enhance and improve their condition.

VIRGINIA NEWS.

Several times during the week the guests at Virginia Beach enjoyed the novelty of seeing a school of whales close in shore and as playful as kittens.

Carleton H. Marks, of Sussex county, once convicted of the murder of N. M. Bain, and who had been granted a new trial, has been released on bail.

The last legislature passed about 1100 bills. This is more than any previous legislature has done, and it is possible that in so much chaff there is less wheat than is usual.

It is reported that Captain P. H. Adams, formerly of Greensboro, N. C., afterwards agent at West Point, for the Richmond and Danville Railroad, is short in his accounts about \$26,000.

The body of W. C. Walter, the railway signal inventor of Richmond, was found floating in the canal yesterday. Walter drowned himself Saturday. His mind is known to have been affected.

The engineers of the Shenandoah Valley railroad are now surveying a route from Riverton through Manassas Gap to Washington, for their direct line, and it is believed that will be the one selected.

Barbara Alexander, an aged colored woman, who made her living by selling herbs to the negroes, drank too much whisky yesterday. While returning home from Lynchburg she stooped over a creek to quench her thirst and fell forward into the water, which was only a foot deep, and was drowned.

Mr. O. E. Fleming, of Stafford, eloped on Wednesday with Miss Belle, the seventeen-year-old daughter of Henry W. Edwards. They went to Aquia creek and took the train for Washington, and after being married, returned that evening. The groom is also the bride's brother-in-law, having formerly married another daughter of Mr. Edwards, who died about two years ago.

Judge Witt on Saturday appointed three beef inspectors for Richmond. The fees of the inspectors of Richmond, it is said, will amount to from forty to fifty thousand dollars a year. Already the price of beef has advanced from 1 to 2 cents per lb. in Richmond. It is said that but few people in the State will be benefited by the provisions of the beef law and that most of them are the men who buy their cattle in the West and bring them here for sale.

On petition of some of the life members of the Virginia State Agricultural and Mechanical Society Judge Pittsburg, in Richmond on Saturday, granted an injunction prohibiting Ashton, Clarke and other stockholders from selling the tract of land, near Richmond, held by the society till the further order of the court. The injunction is not to go into effect until the plaintiffs in the case have given bond for the cost in the case and all damages that may be awarded in case the injunction is dissolved.

A WOMAN KNOWN BY RATS.—An old and decrepit colored woman named Henrietta Garrey was taken to Freedman's Hospital, in Washington, by the police last night, suffering from severe injuries to her hands and feet inflicted by rats. She lived in a dilapidated old shanty in Union alley with her daughter, who was at home only at night. During the daytime the old woman was alone in the house, and during this time the rats began attacking her, and despite her cries and feeble efforts to fight them off nibbled great wounds in her bare feet and hands. Her daughter seems to have done nothing to protect her against the vicious little animals, and her sufferings might have been continued for any length of time had not her condition been discovered by the police.

TO CENSURE MR. CALL.—The United States Senate Committee on Privileges and Elections, at its meeting Saturday, agreed upon a report to be made to the Senate on the resolution of Mr. Chandler to censure Mr. Call for interpolating in the Record remarks which he did not make during his debate with Mr. Chandler on the political assassinations in Florida. The committee will make a report recommending that the report of the speech, as it appeared, be amended in the Record to correspond with the notes of the official reporter. The committee will also recommend that the Committee on Rules consider the question of abridging the right of Senators to make changes in the Record.

A DOG AS IS A DOG.—The Rixeyville correspondent of the Culpeper Advocate says: Mr. B. F. Bywaters' hound dog "Cyclone" that was a few weeks ago caught in a steel trap, has since killed ten red foxes, treed fourteen coons, forty-five opossums, killed a number of ground hogs and flying squirrels, and when last heard from was swimming the Rappahannock river, just above Fredericksburg, not over fifteen feet behind a large buck, that was started on Battle Mountain, near Flint Hill, in Rappahannock county. I would suggest to Mr. M. Corbin that he should hang "Swipe" and give "Muscle" away, and buy a couple of pups from Mr. Bywaters, if he wishes to own all round dogs and cyclone flyers.

IT WASN'T LOADED, OF COURSE.—On Friday Thomas Stewart was fooling with a pistol at his home at Monro, N. C. His aged mother was sitting in a chair near his side. The pistol was accidentally discharged and the ball lodged in his mother's left breast, and with a horri-fying scream she sprang to her feet and then slowly sank to the floor. The young man on discovering that he had shot his mother became frenzied, and it required the strength of four men to prevent him from committing suicide. Mrs. Stewart was alive Saturday, but there is very little hope of her final recovery.

UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA ALUMNI.—Messrs. William D. Cabell, Linden Kent and M. McDonald, the committee appointed by the alumni of the University of Virginia last June, have extended an invitation to all local alumni associations throughout the country, composed of Virginia graduates, to meet in Washington on April 11 and 12, to form a permanent organization.

The State Debt

HICKORY GROVE, March 5.
To the editor of the Alexandria Gazette:
I send you this to see if the reasoning is logical, and if not to get some one to show the fallacy of it. The Supreme Court has decided that a State can violate a contract and thereby defraud a citizen and cause him the loss of money or property; the State itself being the sole judge of right or wrong. Now all admit that if a citizen refuses to pay his taxes the State can sell his property. The man who has coupons wishes to pay his taxes with them. The State says "I now violate that contract" and sells his property. He takes his case before the Supreme Court, and I say that if the court is consistent they must say they have no jurisdiction, or their present decision is an absurdity. Yours respectfully, GEO. B. TYLER.

I suffered with rheumatism in the shoulder for months and the only thing I found that did me any good was Salvation Oil. It cured me and I recommend it to all sufferers with said disease.
N. ULMAN, 1 Pearl street, Baltimore, Md.



ASSOCIATED PRESS DISPATCHES.

Proceedings of Congress.
WASHINGTON, D. C., Mar. 10.
SENATE.

Among the bills favorably reported was one for the construction of post office buildings in towns and cities where the postoffice receipts have for the last three years exceeded \$3,000 a year.

Mr. Hoar, from the Committee on Privileges and Elections, reported an order for the striking from the Congressional Record of the words inserted by Mr. Call in the report of his remarks in the discussion with Mr. Chandler on the 20th of February, and for the substitution of the original report made by the official reporter. The order was placed on the calendar.

Among the bills reported and placed on the calendar was one for the appointment of an assistant general superintendent and chief clerk of the railway mail.

Mr. Stanford offered a resolution instructing the Committee on Finance to inquire whether loans may not be made by the government upon mortgages on real estate at one to two per cent. interest, and to be able to call in a percentage of the loans from time to time at its discretion. He submitted some remarks in support of his resolution, and the resolution was referred to the Committee on Finance.

Mr. Hoar offered a resolution, which was agreed to, instructing the Committee on Rules to report a rule defining the extent to which Senators shall be at liberty to revise their remarks for publication in the Record.

The bill providing for an inspection of meats for exportation, prohibiting the importation of adulterated articles of food or drink, was then taken up and debated till two o'clock, when the consideration of the Blair bill was resumed. Mr. Higgins, republican, of Delaware, speaking in favor thereof.

HOUSE.

A resolution was adopted providing for an investigation of the workings of the various laws of the United States and the several States relative to immigration from foreign countries.

The resolution was so amended as to direct the joint committee to investigate the effect on American workingmen, which is likely to follow the purchase of American industries by foreign capitalists.

Mr. Dorsey, of Nebraska, introduced a bill making it unlawful after July 1, 1890 for the government to pay a greater sum than \$20 per annum for the rental or use of any telephone instrument in any government office in the District of Columbia; and if any telephone company shall refuse to accept such compensation, it shall be prohibited from running its wires over any government reservation or along any street or alley bordering on such reservation.

A bill was passed to shorten the term of imprisonment in the jail and work house of this city on account of good conduct; also one making six per cent. the rate of interest on arrearages of general and special taxes in the District of Columbia, if paid prior to April 30, 1890.

The Senate bill was passed to prevent the introduction of contagious diseases from one State to another.

Coffee Market

NEW YORK, Mar. 10.—That there has been more or less nervousness over the political situation in Brazil has been shown for several days, in the active takings of spot coffee at the coffee exchange. The sharp decline in exchange on Saturday, and its continued easy range had first a marked effect upon the French markets in to day's opening dealings. Dispatches from Havre showed that there was a general desire to cover all outstanding contracts and under the buying pressure a radical advance, or 2½ francs was made. The New York market started this morning with a radical feeling to buying, and by the end of the first call, the sales had reached 24,000 bags, which was the largest business in some months. Prices began advancing, and finally shot upward fully 50 to 65 points. The shorts here are covering up contracts freely. There appears a good deal of alarm over the situation in the belief that shipments forward will be restricted.

Trouble at a Maine Election.

BIDDEFORD, Me., Mar. 10.—There is great excitement here over the municipal election. One hundred special police and 25 deputy sheriffs are on duty. The votes of the men whose naturalization papers were issued by the municipal court in alleged violation of the law are being challenged. Special officers are working in sympathy with the men. In one ward two sheriffs arrested a challenged voter, but clubs were drawn and the special officers and the crowd liberated the prisoner. At 10 a. m. warrants were issued for the arrest of the sheriff and 10 minutes later the local police captured deputy U. S. Marshal Sackpole and deputy Sheriff Parker of North Berwick and hustled them to the police station followed by a mob. A general riot is feared.

The Flack Trial.

NEW YORK, Mar. 10.—The Flack trial has fairly begun. The sheriff, his son William L. Flack and Joseph Meeks, jointly indicted with the late Judge Monnell, for conspiracy in connection with the Flack divorce case, were placed on trial before Judge Barrett to-day. The court room itself was jammed. At 10 o'clock the work of procuring a jury was entered upon. Mrs. Flack was said to be within easy distance of the court house so as to be ready to obey any summons. There is a strong belief that Mrs. Flack, if she testifies at all, will go far to weaken the case for the prosecution.

"I caught a cold somewhere," she remarked. "Probably it was in your head!" he suggested, chuckling over his wit, "if so I respectfully prescribe Dr. B. A. Cough Syrup. Here it is."

The Fastest Time on Record.

BALTIMORE, Mar. 10.—The train carrying the "Aunt Jack" theatrical company left Jersey City at 7:28 and arrived in Philadelphia at 9:15—making the 94 miles in 1 hour and 47 minutes—and was rushed on through, passing Baltimore at 10:50, making the next 95 miles in one hour and thirty five minutes.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 10.—The "Aunt Jack" train arrived here at 11:47. The company appeared at Albaugh's Opera House in "Aunt Jack" at one o'clock this afternoon for the benefit of the actors' fund and left here at 3:30 p. m., and to reach New York in time for the regular evening performance.

The train made the run between the two cities in four hours and seventeen minutes, the fastest time on record; five hours and thirteen minutes being the best previous record.

A Long Absence.

OSHKOSH, Wis., Mar. 10.—Fritz Jabusch walked into the house of his relatives in this city yesterday evening after an absence of nearly thirty years. In 1852 he enlisted in the army and went to the front. He now states that he was left for dead on the battlefield, was found by Confederate troops and placed in a hospital. When he was exchanged he shipped for the East Indies and has followed the sea ever since. He has acquired a competency and has decided to settle down with his relatives who had long mourned him as dead.

Killed a Sister of Charity.

MOSCOW, March 10.—Tremendous excitement prevails here over the murder of a Sister of Charity named Platinzky, well known for her many charitable deeds. Her body was found cut into small pieces in a sack which was sewn up and thrown into a semi-retired spot, where detection was only a question of a few hours. The head was rudely cut from the trunk, and found wrapped in a cloth in another quarter of the city. The crime was fastened upon a young medical student, who was arrested and immediately committed suicide. No reason is known for the deed.

Murdered by the Burrows Gang.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Mar. 10.—Rogers Burrows, the Lamar county outlaw, has added another to his already long list of victims. A detective named Jackson, who has been following the outlaw for months, has been murdered by Burrows or his gang. Jackson went to Lamar county several weeks ago, and disguised as a for peddler, started alone to the hills where Burrows was supposed to be in hiding. Nothing more was seen of the detective until last Saturday, when his dead body was found in the woods riddled with bullets.

International Railroad Interests.

CHICAGO, March 10.—The finest and most perfectly equipped train ever produced in the world pulled out of Chicago this morning bearing 150 general passenger agents of railroads in the United States, Canada and Mexico bound for the City of Mexico. Their mission is that of cultivating and improving the commercial relations between the three Americas.

Lightning Helped Them

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., March 10.—During a storm on last Tuesday the jail at Moulton, Ala., was struck by lightning and a hole torn in the roof. The jailer neglected to repair the damage, and on Friday night five prisoners escaped through the opening. One negro charged with murder refused to escape. He was the only prisoner left.

Requests

SALEM, Va., Mar. 10.—By the will of Rev. Christian Beard, who died recently at his home, near Waynesboro, Va., Roanoke college will receive from \$7,500 to \$10,000. This bequest is the second to Roanoke this session, the other being one of \$65,000 last October by the late Henry J. Steere, of Providence, R. I.

Entombed Miners

LONDON, Mar. 10.—A terrific explosion occurred to day in the Morosa colliery in Glamorganshire, Wales, which, it is feared, will be attended with much loss of life. One hundred miners are entombed and communication with them is impossible for the present. It is feared that all of them have perished.

The Ice Harvest on the Kennebec
GARDNER, Me., March 10.—It is estimated that the total amount of ice hauled on the Kennebec river up to last night is 1,036,000 tons. Of this amount 90,000 tons is ice left over from last season. The total product, according to a careful estimate, will be 1,500,000 tons.

TIED HER HANDS.—A Folly Mills letter